# R & A ENTERPRISES D/B/A FOUNTAIN INN CONVALESCENT HOME FOUNTAIN INN, SOUTH CAROLINA

CONTRACT PERIODS BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 1998 AC# 3-FTN-J7

#### REPORT ON CONTRACT

**FOR** 

PURCHASE OF NURSING CARE SERVICES

WITH

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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#### INDEPENDENT ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT ON APPLYING AGREED-UPON PROCEDURES

May 14, 1999

Department of Health and Human Services State of South Carolina Columbia, South Carolina

We have performed the procedures described below, which were agreed to by the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, solely to compute the rate change and related adjusted reimbursement rate to be used by the Department in determining the reimbursement settlement with R & A Enterprises d/b/a Fountain Inn Convalescent Home, for the contract periods beginning October 1, 1998 and for the twelve month cost report period ended September 30, 1997, as set forth in the accompanying schedules. This engagement to apply agreed-upon procedures was performed in accordance with standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The sufficiency of the procedures is solely the responsibility of the Department of Health and Human Services. Consequently, we make no representation regarding the sufficiency of the procedures described below either for the purpose for which this report has been requested or for any other purpose.

The procedures and the associated findings are as follows:

- 1. We tested selected costs or areas based on our analytical procedures applied to the reimbursable Medicaid program costs as shown on the Financial and Statistical Report for Nursing Homes, as filed by R & A Enterprises d/b/a Fountain Inn Convalescent Home, to determine if these costs were allowable as defined by the State Plan for Medicaid reimbursement purposes and supported by accounting and statistical records maintained by the provider. Our findings as a result of these procedures are presented in the Adjustment Report, Summary of Costs and Total Patient Days, Cost of Capital Reimbursement Analysis and the Comments and Recommendations sections of this report.
- 2. We recomputed the Computation of Reimbursement Rate using the adjusted costs and calculated the rate change in accordance with the provisions of the contract between the Department of Health and Human Services and R & A Enterprises d/b/a Fountain Inn Convalescent Home dated as of October 1, 1994 as amended. Our findings as a result of these procedures are presented in the Computation of Rate Change and Computations of Adjusted Reimbursement Rate sections of this report.

Department of Health and Human Services State of South Carolina May 14, 1999

The South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services has not received formal approval from the United States Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) of Attachment 4.19D of the South Carolina State Plan under the Title XIX (Medicaid) for the contract periods beginning October 1, 1998, as required by regulations of the United States Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). The effects of any adjustments that may be necessary if the State Plan, as submitted, is modified to receive the approval of HCFA cannot presently be determined.

We were not engaged to, and did not, perform an audit, the objective of which would be the expression of an opinion on the specified elements, accounts, or items. Accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. Had we performed additional procedures, other matters might have come to our attention that would have been reported to you.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than the specified party.

Thomas L. Wagner, Jr., CPA State Auditor

Computation of Rate Change For the Contract Periods Beginning October 1, 1998 AC# 3-FTN-J7

	10/01/98- 11/30/98	Beginning 12/01/98
Interim reimbursement rate (1)	\$97.88	\$98.63
Adjusted reimbursement rate	<u>96.76</u>	97.51
Decrease in reimbursement rate	\$ <u>1.12</u>	\$ <u>1.12</u>

(1) Interim reimbursement rate from the South Carolina Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS) Provider Rate Listing dated December 8, 1998

Computation of Adjusted Reimbursement Rate For the Contract Period October 1, 1998 Through November 30, 1998 AC# 3-FTN-J7

	Incentives	Allowable Cost	Cost Standard	Computed Rate
Costs Subject to Standards:				
General Services		\$46.34	\$47.40	
Dietary		11.14	10.41	
Laundry/Housekeeping/Maint.		7.88	7.86	
Subtotal	\$ <u>.31</u>	65.36	65.67	\$65.36
Administration & Med. Rec.	\$ <u>.76</u>	10.37	11.13	10.37
Subtotal		75.73	\$ <u>76.80</u>	75.73
Costs Not Subject to Standards:				
Utilities Special Services Medical Supplies & Oxy. Taxes and Insurance Legal Fees		2.09 .66 6.32 1.23		2.09 .66 6.32 1.23
TOTAL		\$ <u>86.03</u>		86.03
Inflation Factor (3.60%)				3.10
Cost of Capital				6.31
Cost of Capital Limitation				-
Profit Incentive (Max. 3.5% of A	llowable Cost)			.76
Cost Incentive				.31
Effect of \$1.75 Cap on Cost/Prof	it Incentives			-
Minimum Wage Add On				25
ADJUSTED REIMBURSEMENT RATE				\$ <u>96.76</u>

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Minimum Wage and CNA Add-Ons				1.00
ADJUSTED REIMBURSEMENT RATE				\$ <u>97.51</u>

Summary of Costs and Total Patient Days
For the Cost Report Period Ended September 30, 1997
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EXPENSES	Totals (From Schedule SC 13) as Adjusted by DH&HS	Adjustme Debit	ents Credit	Adjusted Totals
General Services	\$ 729,177	\$ 5,042 (4)	\$ 1,408 (4)	\$ 732,811
Dietary	157,125	21,702 (5)	2,611 (4)	176,216
Laundry	17,551	-	448 (4)	17,103
Housekeeping	67,579	-	1,742 (4)	65,837
Maintenance	48,811	-	6,510 (2) 597 (4)	41,704
Administration & Medical Records	166,048	9 (4)	2,121 (4)	163,936
Utilities	33,007	-	-	33,007
Special Services	10,398	1 (6)	-	10,399
Medical Supplies & Oxygen	111,784	-	11,852 (6)	99,932
Taxes & Insurance	34,354	-	3,248 (3) 11,662 (4)	19,444
Legal Fees	-	-	-	-

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	Totals (From Schedule SC 13) as	Adjustm	ents	Adjusted
EXPENSES	Adjusted by DH&HS	Debit	Credit	Totals
Cost of Capital	90,693	10,502 (1) 488 (2)	1,893 (7)	99,790
Subtotal	1,466,527	37,744	44,092	1,460,179
Ancillary	12,648	-	-	12,648
Non-Allowable	57,219	3,248 (3) 15,538 (4) 11,851 (6)	10,502 (1)	79,247
	<del></del>	<u>1,893</u> (7)		
Total Operating Expenses	\$ <u>1,536,394</u>	\$ <u>70,274</u>	\$ <u>54,594</u>	\$ <u>1,552,074</u>
TOTAL PATIENT DAYS	<u>15,813</u>			<u>15,813</u>
Total BEDS	44			

Adjustment Report
Cost Report Period Ended September 30, 1997
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ADJUSTMENT			
NUMBER	ACCOUNT TITLE	DEBIT	CREDIT
1	Fixed Assets Cost of Capital Accumulated Depreciation Other Equity Nonallowable	\$461,026 10,502	\$264,238 196,788 10,502
	To adjust fixed assets and related depreciation to allowable HIM-15-1, Section 2304 State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		
2	Fixed Assets Cost of Capital Accumulated Depreciation Maintenance	6,510 488	488 6,510
	To capitalize roof replacement HIM-15-1, Section 108.1		
3	Nonallowable Taxes and Insurance	3,248	3,248
	To adjust insurance expense to allowable HIM-15-1, Section 2304		
4	Nursing Nonallowable Medical Records Restorative Dietary	5,042 15,538 9	1,408 2,611
	Laundry Housekeeping Maintenance Administration Taxes and Insurance		448 1,742 597 2,121 11,662
	To adjust fringe benefits and related allocation to allowable HIM-15-1, Section 2304 State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		

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ADJUSTMENT <u>NUMBER</u>	ACCOUNT TITLE	DEBIT	CREDIT
5	Dietary Other Revenue	21,702	21,702
	To reverse DH&HS adjustment to offset income against related expense State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		
6	Nonallowable Special Services Medical Supplies	11,851 1	11,852
	To remove special (ancillary) services reimbursed by Medicare State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		
7	Nonallowable Cost of Capital	1,893	1,893
	To adjust capital return to allowable State Plan, Attachment 4.19D		
	TOTAL ADJUSTMENTS	\$ <u>537,810</u>	\$ <u>537,810</u>

Due to the nature of compliance reporting, adjustment descriptions and references contained in the preceding Adjustment Report are provided for general guidance only and are not intended to be all-inclusive.

Cost of Capital Reimbursement Analysis
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Original Asset Cost (Per Bed)	\$ 15,618
Inflation Adjustment	2.1814
Deemed Asset Value (Per Bed)	34,069
Number of Beds	44
Deemed Asset Value	1,499,036
Improvements Since 1981	59,668
Accumulated Depreciation at 9/30/97	(265,563)
Deemed Depreciated Value	1,293,141
Market Rate of Return	0.067
Total Annual Return	86,640
Return Applicable to Non-Reimbursable Cost Centers	-
Allocation of Rent and Interest to Non-Reimbursable Cost Centers	
Allowable Annual Return	86,640
Depreciation Expense	13,150
Amortization Expense	-
Capital Related Income Offsets	-
Allocation of Capital Expenses to Non-Reimbursable Cost Centers	<del></del>
Allowable Cost of Capital Expense	99,790
Total Patient Days (Actual)	15,813
Cost of Capital Per Diem	\$6.31

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6/30/89 Cost of Capital and Return on Equity Capital Per Diem	
Reimbursement	\$ 3.55
Adjustment for Maximum Increase	3.99
Maximum Cost of Capital Per Diem	\$ <u>7.54</u>
Reimbursable Cost of Capital Per Diem	\$ 6.31
Cost of Capital Per Diem	6.31
Cost of Capital Per Diem Limitation	\$

#### **COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

Our agreed-upon procedures identified certain conditions that we have determined to be subject to correction or improvement. We believe these conditions should be brought to your attention.

#### I. Transaction Classification

The Provider classified a significant number of transactions to improper accounts and cost centers.

Guidance for the proper classification of transactions is provided in the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services Medicaid Nursing Home Accounting and Reporting Manual (Expense Crosswalk), the State Plan under Title XIX of the Social Security Act, Medicaid Bulletins and South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services directives.

By failing to classify transactions in accordance with the administering agency's guidelines, the Provider misstated several accounts and cost centers.

We recommend the Provider establish and implement necessary controls to ensure that all transactions are properly classified in accordance with South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services guidelines.

#### II. <u>Vending Machine and Meal Sales</u>

Income received from vending machines and meal sales were not deposited in the facility operating account. Funds generated from these sales were retained by the owners and used to make minor purchases for the facility, similar to a petty cash fund.

A system of good internal accounting control requires that all cash received be deposited intact.

By failing to deposit these receipts, the Provider is unable to readily document the income derived from vending machine and meal sales, and has understated income and overstated reimbursable expenses.

We recommend the Provider establish and implement the necessary controls to ensure that all cash received be deposited timely and intact.